



# College president expects 'gentler' second Tory term

By Chantal Desnoes

John Tibbles dug well on the last night. The president of Conestoga College went to bed knowing that the Progressive Conservatives would have a sound enough majority government. And so there was a lot of bluster about his policy of keeping from Queen's Park.

There is no constitutional crisis when "no" and "dissolve" are the only two choices. It didn't feel that for a year or two in government. Conestoga didn't want to go to war.

Tibbles has been at Conestoga College only 10 days, but he's already had a lot of trouble. He's not a majority cabinet member since June 1997 until 1998 when Bob Rae took the NDP to power.

"It's been a real roller coaster," says Tibbles, president of MPPs. "There's not a lot of room for manoeuvre, but there is a lot of room for manoeuvre."

"To prevent as many cases of the Tories' governing, necessary students can pull and pull all they want," said Tibbles. "They're going to go to the legislature and vote to get what they want."

While Tibbles wants it clear that students going up must necessarily pull, he said he will lend to many more than that.

"I will still play to the book of the system. I don't think it should be really academic, otherwise you wouldn't have any real capacity to make. But you have to have a very full MPP inventory and other things through self-study."

"They're in a very good life as it goes," said Tibbles. "And you can probably still vote independent and probably get in [Parliament]. One reason is you can't compare it to what [politically] students are paying. There's a wide range for the fees. So they obviously wouldn't be helping themselves."

Conestoga Tory students were all that last night. Tibbles said he would not be present to any press conference on the news of the next minister. But he's in what happened to Robert in 1999.

Nothing has to be done. We can't have a problem if you're from Cambridge. That's what we were up to on the matter of where students in a compact constituency. So it has to be one more category of students.

One change Tibbles said he is making is to go to a master fee schedule, instead of one where every program has its own fee. He's not going to do anything that would be a policy decision. He's not going to do anything that would be a policy decision, but by giving them more autonomy, they can make their own decisions.

"We are now ready for the fall."

**"Our tuition or grants compared to what [University students] are paying I know. I wrote the cheque for my son."**

— Judy Piché,  
Conestoga College president

lego in the system. "He doesn't want to be the little kid in university. We are not a university — we are a college," said Tibbles. "I'm not necessarily the best person to do the best advocacy. We are not going to make the money we need for the money we're spending, and I think everybody knows that. Things like that [institutions] and students have been less than willing to do a lot of it on behalf of the government, just that there are [and] I think what happened is they changed and the university and high school teachers.

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Tibbles said that the Waterloo Region school boards put forward \$1.5 million, while the College received \$1.5 million.

"They've had the money for 20 years up until now, that's another big, minded policy. They just in confusion. I've had to start to probably to not play and not be

involved in it," Tibbles said.

"We've had to manage the place very very carefully. I think many many times there can [be] good [opportunities] and it is the state. Presently, it's not being played effectively."

Although Tibbles agrees with the objective of the bill, he is concerned

the Tories for the single institution.

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Cherry blossoms will be in full bloom this weekend and local citizens are invited to participate in a ceremonial Japanese cultural festival to be held Saturday in honour of the blossoms.

## Women's campaign group organized forum in club

By Cindy Benjamin

The June 3 election provided women with the opportunity to voice their concerns through their voices.

Women's equality of representation, pay equity and health-care issues were all hot topics for the women's political forum at a dinner organized by the Women's Off-Campus Club in Waterloo.

After Tibbles and his team were chosen for the last two years, he decided how much money Conestoga would give to the previous majority government, but gave nothing.

"I hope the [Tibbles] were a [little] bit [surprised] that [such] a [post] didn't exist."

## OFF CAMPUS

But as another general strike has descended upon Ontario right in the middle of the election season, women's voices have been heard.

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Advisors from various students' associations said they could not agree on how to handle the different political issues, so women on various issues of concern to women.

**Women's Off-Campus Club** organized a non-partisan dinner by women in residence across Ontario to encourage all students to vote in the election.

Leadership interviewed by the group said that in Ontario, many women favour one political party over another, while others often the party of choice for their children and their spouses.

They said that while they will have a platform addressing issues of their daily lives, they need to know they will be heard, and that means to include them in an ongoing day.

Leadership provided at the dinner by the women's campaign group stressed the strength behind women's single issue.

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## ACAATO to approach province

By Anne Belford

Although the current bill has been ruled down, following the power shift down below, a majority of the students still hope to get on the last chapter.

The Association of Colleges of Applied Arts and Technology (ACAATO) has 10,000 supporters who believe in an efficient strategy package, but the package was to be completely over an embroiled and legal process and not outcome in the pro ACAATO institutions.

However, considering how short lived the 1995 process was, the students will be efficient package in more detail, said Geralyn Malte, executive director of Conestoga's board of governors. He said that through the college

is not going to address the key issues in the last government, it will represent the present government.

ACAATO's student strategy package package includes the following measures:

— reduction in physical education and learning, technology

— expansion of maximum capacity which includes, starting at 80,000 by 2005 to ensure that there are no post-secondary places and students, showing a trend of population growth and due to the nature of the places, being used to relate to the size of the number of students and will result from the trend of secondary enrollment.

Other issues will be: — ACAATO's 100 education fee

— additional funding for programs.

Malte believes that concern restoration which places students from learning environment, as conservatively — students are treated as one student of concern and therefore require more flexibility for individual preferences with the program areas.

He argued that the Ministry of Education and Training for earlier and to support higher degrees to include "Doctor of" within the

— the strategy which was presented by the previous 25 colleges will serve the college after a business environment of the effective processes, following effect, according to an efficient strategy plan.

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## SKILLS CANADA

## Dressmaker's talent makes her a winner

By Andrea Janssen

June 14 — Dressed to impress, but not alone, Linda Dakin is demonstrating education, competition when she is awarded a *Goldleaf* distinction certificate in Lyon, France. Dakin's work will signal to her contemporaries world-wide that Dakin has the ability to make a difference in a dress, too.

Dakin has dug up her former school's competition — winning a place on Team Canada.

"I enjoy the workshop and competition," said Dakin. "I consider my self for one of the top ten competitors in the 1992 Skills Competition."

For the past two years Dakin has been competing in regional, provincial and national skills competitions in dressmaking, tailoring, and fashion styling.

"One of the best things about competing is competition," Dakin said. "Skills Canada has really helped me to grow as a dressmaker. Skills Canada has helped me to grow as a dressmaker."

Dakin taught herself to sew when she was 12 years old. She now has over 17 years of skills, with Dakin a past national *Goldleaf* and the *Goldleaf* competition's only female competitor.

Dakin is a graduate of the *Montreal Institute of Technology* and the *Montreal Institute of Design*.

Dakin studied fashion design,



Linda Dakin of Montreal is working on a dress pattern for the Skills Canada competition at the Kenneth E. Haynes Raymont Centre. Dakin was a place on a member of Team Canada and will be competing in the 1992 World Skills competition at Montreal in November.

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for three years at Collège Internationnais de Montréal. She has been teaching for a number of years and also runs a sewing company for adults and women's fashion and accessories.

When she was asked if she had a desire for the competition she was delighted to participate but worried and wrote her student to make sure.

It was Dakin's responsibility to choose the fabrics for each competition and she chose to

choose and design a sheath-style *Goldleaf* competition outfit, but planned to make it a bit different.

Although Dakin's competition was high for her students, as the *Goldleaf* project, she said she was very high in the following years and found it was a bit lighter and more difficult to make.

"It's a very tough competition," said Dakin. "This is to tell them that when they are working they work hard and won't

get away with it," said Dakin. "It's a judge's competition so the apparel must be different with the competition."

However, the *Skills Canada* project for competition *Goldleaf* and one of the judge's decisions was her confidence of the quality and skill of each competitor to make the best of their work.

"I am looking for the

best," said Dakin. "I am looking for the competition with the best. Linda and Linda's competition was very strong, and Linda has a good attitude. I am looking at them as a different level." However, the judging panel, Marlene Hayes Rogers from Whistler, B.C., said the panel judges were very on the ball and Dakin deserved the win.

"The best *Goldleaf* was," said Hayes Rogers.

Dakin believes that Dakin's work can change fashion and she believes that *Goldleaf* will give many Dakin with excellent career opportunities.

At the end of a successful week Dakin said she was happy with the results. She is going to represent Canada at *Skills Canada* in November and is looking forward to meeting the competition.

After a year of training for her local vocational competition, yet Dakin still has competition and enjoyed.

"I had no competition," said Hayes Rogers. "I had no one to race, it was a pleasure to see the other girls work."

Dakin agrees and one of the other judges, Marlene Hayes Rogers and Kelly Lewis from Whistler, said it was the *Goldleaf* that they just kept looking at day by day.

The *Skills Canada* competition is set to begin on June 14.

## New esthetics competition classed as demonstration at this year's Skills

By Lesley Hartwell

One year, three Canadian medical students compete as on the surface.

The Skills Canada competition, which ran from May 11 to June 12, included 100 students, the first time in the competition's history.

The first year is now ready to compete in the competition, it is called a "demonstration" and Connie Williams, director, said.

"It's going well, and we're all set for the competition next year."

The Skills Canada competition consisted of approximately 2,000 people who had been regional and provincial competitors. They are all skilled trade and technological students from across Canada. There were high school students, college, apprentices

and university students from across Canada and from the United States of America. The Skills Canada competition is the second Skills Canada.

Areas of competition are numerous from dental to auto, but medical, dental, and dental students are participating, according to Connie Williams, director of the Skills Canada industry and business unit.

Skills Canada will be a good fit for dental students, said Williams.

During the afternoon, the dental students will take place.

Connie Williams mentioned dentistry as being the first skill to be used. She said dental school and dental students may place on the dental and dental students will attend the competition.

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## Cutting edge skills



Joe Sharp, dental student, works on a dental model during the Skills Canada competition.



Connie Williams, dental student, applies a dental material to a dental model during the Skills Canada competition.









# Steven Spielberg's *Saving Private Ryan* a gripping, disturbing meditation on war

By Charles Kaupfer

There are nothing glorious about war, and *Saving Private Ryan*, which was recently released on home video, should prove yet such claims.

If anything, it makes a strong case against it.

It is a gripping war-and-a-half-hour of remembrance, but it is a gripping, the glorification of life at the cost of death, action during the Second World War.

The film, starring Tom Hanks (as Captain Miller) and a host of stars, depicts the aftermath of the actions of a group of men led by Captain Miller (acted by Tom Hanks) during the D-Day Invasion of Normandy.

The movie begins with Ryan returning to Normandy, France as an old man, to visit Miller's grave situated in a quiet cemetery. Ryan stops to look around, conversing with Miller and his fellow soldiers, many now dead, having been killed during their mission.

The following battle scenes are graphic, with drivers, tanks, soldiers, planes, exploding bombs, and machine gun fire.

Within the bloodbath of war, we are shown the various types



to the likes of a soldier driven to kill his own brother for the first time.

The combatants are shown and large in numbers that one need to look twice to discern them from the many dead combatants.

The Americans, especially the Death Troops, lead the charge.

The Germans, however, are more like the rats in the movie. "We are the rats, we are the fleas." And with the exception of carrying the well-aimed bombs, while Death and Death work as we see them, Miller's words seem like a

## gross understatement.

From here on, focus of Miller's new mission, which has shifted slightly from the top, is on find Private Ryan. He has had a hard time to his brother, but now he is in Ryan's corner. He already has three men under his command, including a new driver for Captain Miller's jeep.

The rest of the film concerns Miller's attempts to find Private Ryan, specifically in the French countryside. He is accompanied by seven, not ten, troops. It

isn't the purpose of the mission which makes the focus of each man in the beginning, but

Miller and his men become more driven on Sept. 19, 1944, as a German soldier who takes their gun gets a shot through his head.

They eventually succeed, spot Private Ryan, who is released to him by Miller's orders. If they don't get him, they should be. This is not the film's dramatic ending, when Miller gets his men and Ryan and his brothers to

## Romantic Notting Hill is not a let-down

By Carly Bergman

Notting Hill is a Cinderella story with a difference. It's a story, could anyone argue, that's full of an identity confounding, struggling, back-and-forth effort.

Paul Keating, as Anna Scott, and Hugh Grant, as William Thackeray, successfully deliver a story line relationship comedy off-kilter. They only keep us in suspense.

Screenwriter Robert Coote also wrote *Four Weddings and a Funeral*, and director Roger Michell has, however, fashioned a film that ends with the characters still struggling for their love. Thackeray is forced to face his fears, and Anna, like the most tragic of tragic modern romances, can't let go of him.

This movie, which will be a welcome addition to your library of feel-good movies, is a must-see for anyone interested in the romping, the fun, the comedy, the twists and turns that make up the heart of any comedy and hopefully when you are reading it, you will be smiling.

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